

HOUSE RESOLUTION 198  
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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate the 1995-1996 Martin Westview High School girls' basketball team and Coach Kevin Tuck on winning the Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association Class AA state championship.

WHEREAS, Dave Krider, who compiles the USA Today super 25 high school basketball poll, has stated "Tennessee is probably the strongest girls basketball state in the nation"; and

WHEREAS, Westview won the regular season District 13-AA title, with an unblemished 14-0 record, making their two year district record 28-0; and

WHEREAS, they also won the Lions Cub Tournament, besting Calloway County, Kentucky, 78-58; Fulton City, Kentucky, 81-35 and Fulton County, Kentucky 55-41; and

WHEREAS, at the fabled District 13-AA Tournament, the Lady Chargers charged past Humboldt 66-37, Dyer County 58-37 and Gibson County 82-75, to win that title; and

WHEREAS, at the Region 7-AA Tournament, they impressively defeated Milan 84-55, Crockett County 63-58 and Gibson County 82-75, to be crowned regional champions; and

WHEREAS, Westview next won their crucial substate game, by beating Mitchell 92-79; and

WHEREAS, at the state tournament, this highly regarded and very talented team defeated Happy Valley 72-56, David Lipscomb 62-55 and then the number one-ranked

team in the state and national power Livingston Academy 50-49, when Charger junior Tasha Atkins sank two free throws with just 7/10ths of a second left in the game; and

WHEREAS, this was their first state title; and

WHEREAS, in the authoritative Final USA Today Super 25 High School Girls Basketball Poll the Chargers were ranked the ninth best team in the nation and the third best in the Southeast Region; and

WHEREAS, Westview finished the very memorable season with an exceptional 35-1 record, a winning percentage of .970; and

WHEREAS, their admirable overall record for the last two years is 62-5; and

WHEREAS, Coach Kevin Tuck, who has a fine girls' team record of 85-32 and an overall record, as both the boys' and girls' squad coach, of 133-47; and

WHEREAS, Christy Tuck, Coach Tuck's wife, has been very supportive of the coach and the teams; and

WHEREAS, capable staff included Assistant Coach Lawrence Hurst and Assistant Coach Glen Cox, both of whom helped make the winning difference; and

WHEREAS, the team leaders were: sharp shooting senior forward **Mona Thompson**, the State Tournament Most Valuable Player, All-Region 7 AA and All-District 13 AA, senior forward **Krystal Alexander**, who was named Class AA All-State and All-District 13 AA, junior guard **Tasha Atkins**, an All-State Tournament choice and senior wing **Crystal Hurst**, who was named All-State Tournament, All-Region 7 AA and All-District 13 AA, senior guard **Becky Hurst**, All-Region 7AA and senior point guard **Julie Lacy**, a All-Region 7 AA and All-District 13 AA choice ; and

WHEREAS, the other outstanding players included: juniors, **Jocelyn Phelps** and **Stacey Ross**; sophomores **Beth Anne Boroughs**, **Stacy Evans**, **Carmen Gaylord**, **Jaclyn Phelps** and **Lori Beth Thompson**; and freshmen **Corinne**

**Box, Allison Wade** and **Katie Wilson**; have all contributed most significantly to the success of the team; and

WHEREAS, the enthusiastic cheerleaders, who under the expert sponsorship of **Margaret Greer** won the Sportsmanship Award at the state tournament were: **Leigh Carr, Marcia Bright, Brandi Hazlewood, Mary Katsikas, Amanda Damron, Beth Wade, Heather Williams, Bonnie Brundige, Kelly Cavin, Piper Black, Lindsay Watson, Hilary Hunt, Kara Johnson, Shara Lynn Hunt, Jill White** and **Shuna Crist**; and

WHEREAS, the hard working managers were: **Rachelle Fletcher, Kristi Davis** and **Faithe Adkins**; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the many accomplishments of this fine team be specially recognized and commemorated; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we honor and congratulate Coach Kevin Tuck and the 1995-1996 Tennessee AA State Champion Westview High School girls' basketball team and wish them continued success in their future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That appropriate copies of this resolution be prepared for presentation to the school and each person named above, with this final clause omitted from such copies.